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23 August 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM : [REDACTED]
Methodology Center/ASG/CPAS/DDI
SUBJECT : Methodology Center Conference

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1. The Methodology Center is sponsoring a conference on "Models and Methods for Analyzing Political Instability and Political Change," to be held at CIA Headquarters on 9 and 10 September in Room 6F21.

2. The purpose of the conference is to bring to the Agency scholars and researchers who are working on the problem of political instability with innovative political and social methods. These individuals are leaders in their fields and have contributed substantially to the development and assessment of methodologies for understanding the dynamics of political change. As you can see from the enclosed program, these two days promise a lively exchange of views.

3. Your participation would substantially strengthen our ability to integrate these methods into the intelligence analysis process. To that end, we cordially invite you to attend any one or more of the presentations, as well as the cocktail party to be held at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, 9 September in the Executive Dining Room. Please RSVP by 30 August to me on [REDACTED]

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Attachment .

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'MODELS AND METHODS FOR ANALYZING POLITICAL INSTABILITY
AND POLITICAL CHANGE''

PROGRAM

September 9 - 10, 1982

Methodology Center
Directorate of Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency
Langley, Virginia

Thursday, September 9, 1982

0830-0900	Coffee & Pastry	
0900-0915	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div>	STAT
	Introduction of Panelists and Guests	
0915-1000	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div>	STAT
	''Forecasting Models of Political Instability''	
1000-1030	Discussion	
1030-1045	Break	
1045-1130	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div>	STAT
	''Measuring Violent Political Conflict''	
1130-1200	Discussion	
1200-1315	Break for Lunch	
1315-1330	Administrative Briefing	
1330-1430	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div>	STAT
	''Aggressive Political Participation: Evidence from Opinion Surveys''	
1430-1500	Discussion	
1500-1515	Break	
1515-1615	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 200px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div>	STAT
	''Assessing Political Instability: An Empirical Approach to Black Africa''	
1615-1645	Discussion	
1645-1730	Break	
1730-1830	Cocktails	

Friday, September 10, 1982

0830-0900	Coffee & Pastry	
0900-0915	Introductory Remarks	
0915-1015	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 250px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> ''POLICON: An Analytic Package for Predicting Policy Changes''	STAT
1015-1045	Discussion	
1045-1100	Break	
1100-1200	CIA Presentation of Intelligence Community Perspectives on Political Instability	
1200-1230	Discussion	
1230-1330	Break for Lunch	
1330-1430	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 200px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> ''Modeling Political Support in Advanced Industrial Democracies''	STAT
1430-1500	Discussion	
1500-1515	Break	
1515-1615	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 250px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> ''Assessing the Military Coup''	STAT
1615-1645	Discussion	
1645-1700	Concluding Remarks	